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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Applicant requests that the Examiner consider references which have been cited in the German Examination procedure.

- U.S. 5,197,346 discloses an articulated robot with two forearms.
- DE 100 54 136 A1 discloses a ceramic positioning arm for rapid accurate positioning of a handling device for components that fit together from several hollow sections aligned in a jig, threaded together in a row and firmly interconnected. The sections have bridge-like projecting parts that lock like a telescope. No full translation of this reference is available to Applicant at this time. However, Applicant attaches an English language abstract.
- EP 0 930 136 discloses an end arm manipulator. This includes a base and an arm mounted to the base where multiple arms are coupled to the base.

Applicant requests that the Examiner consider references which have been cited in the

International Search Report.

- EP 0 073 185 has been cited under Category X with regard to International claims 1 - 3, 7, 8, 11, 13 and 15. The abstract, the figures and page 2, line 3 - line 22 are indicated to be relevant. The reference is also cited as technological background to International claims 5, 10 and 12. No English language version of this text is available to Applicant at this time. However, Applicant attaches an English language abstract.

- EP 0 012 741 has been cited under Category X with respect to International claims 1, 2, 5, 7 and 11. The abstract, Figures 1 - 3 and page 4, line 28 - page 5, line 4 as well as page 5, lines 20 - 23 have been indicated to be relevant. This reference has a text which is believed to correspond to U.S. 4,323,758 which is cited on the attached PTO-1449 form. Applicant further attaches an English language abstract.

- US 2002/0007548 has been cited under Category X with the abstract, Figures 2, 4, 5 and column 8, line 6 - line 56 indicated to be relevant to International claims 1, 3, 10, 13, 16 and 18.

- DE 100 17 897 has been cited under Category X with the abstract and Figure 1 indicated to be relevant to International claims 1, 2, 4, 7 and 9 - 11. The reference discloses a framework system for body construction of motor vehicles that has cylindrical tubes interconnected in different planes or different angles by clamps with centering and indicating pin to indicate correct relative position of tubes. No full translation of this reference is available to Applicant at this time. However, Applicant attaches an English language abstract.

- WO 00/71292 has been cited as technological background. The abstract and Figure

1 are indicated to be relevant to International claim 12. This reference includes an English language abstract and describes a positioning device for workpiece holder workpieces.

Consideration of the references is requested.

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Enclosed: PTO-1449 Form
copy of International Search Report
copies of (6) References

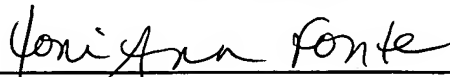
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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

Ex- aminer Initial	Document No.	Date	Name	Class	Sub- class	Filing Date
	<u>5,197,346</u>	<u>March 30, 1993</u>	<u>Zona et al.</u>			<u>Jan. 29, 1992</u>
	<u>4,323,758</u>	<u>April 6, 1982</u>	<u>Vokurka</u>			<u>Dec. 14, 1979</u>
	<u>2002/0007548</u>	<u>Jan. 24, 2002</u>	<u>Stoewer et al.</u>			<u>July 13, 2001</u>

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

Ex- aminer Initial	Document No.	Date	Country	Class	Sub- class	Translation Yes/No
	<u>DE 100 54 136 A1</u>	<u>May 8, 2002</u>	<u>Germany</u>			<u>No</u>
	<u>EP 0 930 136 A2</u>	<u>July 21, 1999</u>	<u>Europe</u>			<u>Yes</u>
	<u>EP 0 073 185</u>	<u>March 2, 1983</u>	<u>Europe</u>			<u>No</u>
	<u>EP 0 012 741 A1</u>	<u>June 25, 1980</u>	<u>Europe</u>			<u>No</u>
	<u>DE 100 17 897 A1</u>	<u>Oct. 25, 2001</u>	<u>Germany</u>			<u>No</u>
	<u>WO 00/71292 A1</u>	<u>Nov. 30, 2000</u>	<u>International</u>			<u>No</u>

OTHER REFERENCES (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

Ex- aminer Initial	Author	Date	Title	Textbook in	Translation Yes/No

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